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Subject: Draft Desk Statement - Oregon 303d List approval (IF WE COULD ADD A FEW NEXT STEPS, IT WOULD BE EXCELLENT!)

“On December XX, 2018 the EPA transmitted 999 additional listings (combination of pollutant & stream segment) for Oregon to incorporate into its current (2012) 303(d) list of impaired waters. By being added to the State’s impaired waterbody list, Oregon is now compelled to create a restoration plan (TMDL) for those additional listings.

“As part of the approval, EPA also affirmed Oregon’s decision not to list marine waters with respect to aquatic life impairments, primarily because no direct impacts to marine life have been demonstrated from overly-acidified waters within Oregon's territorial limits.”

- Next Steps?

BACKGROUND

- On November 5, 2014, the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality ("ODEQ") submitted Oregon’s 2012 Section 303(d) list of water quality limited segments (“WQLS”) still requiring a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) (“Oregon’s 303(d) list”), to the EPA, as part of the Integrated Report submitted by ODEQ to meet the requirements of CWA Sections 303(d), 305(b), and 314.
- EPA’s list review determined that ODEQ failed to assemble and evaluate all existing and readily available data and information for water bodies of the state when developing Oregon’s 2012 Section 303(d) list.
- Specifically, ODEQ failed to evaluate readily available data and information for pollutants such as: alkalinity; ammonia; aquatic weeds; bacteria; bio-criteria; chloride; chlorine; chlorophyll; dissolved oxygen (outside the Willamette and Umatilla Basins); marine waters; metals; nitrates; pH; phosphorus; temperature; tissue of fish and softshell clams; total dissolved gas; and toxics outside the Willamette and Umatilla Basins.
- On December 21, 2016, the EPA partially approved and partially disapproved Oregon’s 2012 303(d) list segments

- For more about EPA's review of Oregon's list, added listings and public comments received: please visit: <https://www.epa.gov/tmdl/partial-approval-and-partial-disapproval-oregon-2012-303d-list>

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